

# Procurement Notice

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## Revised Voucher Submission and Payment Process

(NFS Case 2016-N025)

**PURPOSE:** This Procurement Notice (PN) revises NASA FAR Supplement (NFS) to implement revisions to the voucher submittal and payment process as set forth in the interim rule published in the Federal Register on September 14, 2016. Click [here](#) to see specific NFS codified revisions in the interim rule.

In addition to these interim rule revisions, the following changes to the non-codified NFS guidance were made:

- Added NFS 1832.905 relative to new payment review process.
- Revised NFS 1842.101 to delineate those contractors where DCAA is designated as the responsible audit office. Also, revised the DCAA self-initiation of audit process.
- Removed 1842.803, because it is no longer applicable. This section dealt with DCAA auditor receipt of vouchers and DCAA handling of questioned costs when reviewing and approving vouchers, which is no longer applicable due to DCAA no longer performing this function for NASA.
- Removed 1853.242-71, NASA Form 456, because it is not needed now that DCAA is no longer performing voucher review and approval for NASA.

**BACKGROUND:** These revisions to the NFS are necessary due to section 893 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Pub. L. 114-92) prohibiting DCAA from performing audit work for non-Defense Agencies. Section 893 prohibits DCAA from performing audit work for non-Defense Agencies until DCAA's backlog of incurred cost audits is below 18 months. DCAA's current backlog is greater than 18 months. NASA had delegated to DCAA the task of reviewing contractor requests for payment under our cost type contracts. Without DCAA providing this service for NASA, NASA resources now perform this function. Thus, the NFS needs to be revised to reflect the electronic submission of vouchers for payment to NASA as opposed to DCAA.

**ACQUISITIONS AFFECTED BY CHANGES:** This requirement is applicable to all solicitations issued and contracts awarded after the effective date of the interim rule, September 14, 2016.

**ACTION REQUIRED BY CONTRACTING OFFICERS:** Ensure compliance with the revised NFS policy. Contracting officers shall also use the new NFS clause 1852.232-80 in all contracts awarded and final solicitations issued after publication of NFS interim rule dated September 14, 2016. In accordance with FAR 1.108(d) and NFS 1801.270(b), NASA Procurement Officers shall have their Contracting Officers attempt to negotiate a no cost, bilateral agreement to include this new clause in those existing contracts that currently have other payment clauses. The requirement for consideration is met when the contractor accepts the new clause in their contract in exchange for deleting the existing contracts payment clause.

**PROVISION AND CLAUSE CHANGES:** Removed clause 1852.216-87 and replaced with new clause 1852.232.80. A revised NFS Matrix is enclosed.

**PARTS AFFECTED:** Parts 1816, 1832, 1842, 1852, and 1853.

**PIC or PCD CHANGES:** None.

**TYPE OF RULE AND PUBLICATION DATE:** The revised policy was published as an interim rule in the Federal Register ([81 FR 63143](#)) on September 14, 2016.

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